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Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3)(i), a translation of the reference is enclosed. The cited information is believed to be cumulative to other references of record in this case or otherwise non-material to this case.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this item of information be considered on the merits in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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